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Seminar On Indians Held

Ministry of Culture and Recreation of the Government of Ontario organized a seminar on East Indians on March 13 in Toronto as part of a series of intercultural seminars mainly for the benefit of Canadian professionals who work with Indo-Canadians.

The Seminar organized at St.Barnabas Church was attended by about 200 people. Mrs.Leela Nathan of India Tourist office showed a film on India entitled "We" showing the contrasts one finds in India.

Dr.T.J.Samuel of Ottawa in his keynote address gave an overview of the Indian community in Canada (see speech reported elsewhere). Theparticipantswent into various workshops afterwards. The discussion leaders were:Dr.T.J.Samuel(Economic), A.Dharmalingam and A. Antoniades (Social and recreation) Prof.J.Mavalwala and E.Gale (Cultural) and W.A.Reid and Miss E.Ferguson(education).

The participants came from federal and provincial departments, universities, schools, hospitals, ethnic organizations, business community and the professions.

The planning committee for the seminar included Ratan Panda, A.Dharmalingam, Tarlok Singh, Dr.G.Mukherjee, Roop Sharma, Prof.G.Bancroft, Miss E.Ferguson, D.H.Paul and Khim tan.

Michener In India

New Delhi, March 6

Former Governor-General **Roland Michener** has arrived in New Delhi on a three-week visit to India — the country he served as High Commissioner from 1964 to 1967, the Indian embassy in Ottawa said Wednesday. Mr. Michener, chairman of the Canadian Institute of International Affairs, arrived in New Delhi Tuesday at the invitation of the Indian Council for Cultural Relations. He is expected to meet today with Indian President **Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed** and Prime Minister Indira **Ghandi**. While in India Mr. Michener will visit Calcutta, Bhubaneshwar, Konarak, Gagauhati and Shillong before leaving March 18.He met with External Affairs Minister y. b. Chavan.

Special Permit For Singh

Vancouver March 14: Hari Charan Singh, 27, who was ordered deported last week because he suffered a nervous breakdown last year will be given special permit to stay in Canada. However, he will have to apply for it from outside the country.

Mr. Singh enter Canada as a visitor in 1970, has been working legally in Canada and applied landed immigrant status. He was turned down and ordered deported in September 1970. In August 1973 the immigraton appeal board directed that he be granted landed immigrant status. The immigration department later learned that Mr. Singh had been treated for psychotic illness and thus resulted in last week's ruling that Mr. Singh be deported, but his wife and three children, one born in Canada, be allowed to stay. Mr. Singh is a very hard working carpenter who held two jobs at the same time for a while.

It is reported that the immigration minister, Robert Andras, was shocked by the board's decision. He could not overrule the board's decision, but could grant special permission provided Mr. Singh applies from outside.

Non-Aligned Meet

Calcutta, March 15 (UNI): The next non-aligned Nations' conference would be held in Colombo tentatively in September,- Lakshman Jayakody, Deputy-Minister of Defence and Foreign Affairs of Sri Lanka said.

Toronto Sikh Temple Closed Following Clash

By KENT POTTER

Leaders of the Shromani Sikh So Society decided yesterday to close their Pape Ave. temple in an attempt to cool off a growing internal power struggle.

On Sunday, 12 Sikhs were sent to hospital after a knife and club-wielding battle broke out in the two-storey temple and spilled into the street.

Leaders of the 2,000-member temple have instructed a bailiff to padlock the building. They attribute the violence to confrontations leading up to elections for the nine-man temple executive. The elections were to have been held March 31 but have been postponed.

The origins of the dispute are more complex, and stem partly from the recent influx of Indian immigrants trying to adjust to the Canadian culture.

Many factions

The temple is split into numerous factions — traditionalists call their opponents radicals, the self-termed liberals call the present executive fanatics, and other groups want to turn the temple into a cultural centre or a platform for social reform.

Some of the people living near the temple are puzzled by the conflict — and angry that it is occurring in their neighborhood.

George Stewart, who lives two doors away from the temple, says he and some neighbors plan to start a petition asking City Council to get the Sikhs out of their neighborhood.

"They're a terrible nuisance," says Florence Spratt, 75, who lives across the street. "They congregate in the street after services and then they start shouting and fighting."

Toronto Alderman Tom Clifford, who lives just up the street, said residents complain the Sikhs are noisy and clog the once quiet neighbourhood with cars.

"Every Sunday there's police down there, and I mean every Sunday," Clifford said. "I think they've got to move, considering the circumstances."

The Sikhs started the temple five years ago and have been the target of several racist attacks. Last summer, about 1,000 Sikhs demonstrated at City Hall for increased police protection against vandalism.

The Sikhs are members of an East Indian religion founded in the 15th century. Traditional Sikhs do not smoke or drink, and they wear beards and turbans.

But many temple members have become assimilated into Canadian society and are challenging the control of the traditionalists.

Two weeks ago, the temple's constitution was changed, barring those who do not wear beards and turbans from running for the executive.

Dr. Gurcharn Jauhal, the temple's president, said a radical group wants to oust the present rulers and has been disrupting meetings for several months.

But the Sudhar (Reform) Committee, which is fielding a slate of candidates for the coming elections, insists the present executive changed the constitution illegally and wants to expel "more moderate, liberal-members."

'Rights denied'

"They are trying to deny us our rights," said P.S. Jawanda, of Fulbert Cres., Scarborough, who operates three Toronto gift shops.

"We want that we should be equally accepted. We feel we have to adapt to Canada. It doesn't mean we don't believe in God," said Jawanda, who came to Canada as a student 21 years ago.

"Maybe they (the traditionalists) believe in their heart to be a true Sikh you have to have a beard and turban. Some politicians try to exploit people's feelings. Religion is dangerous."

Jauhal denied that some Sikhs are being discriminated against, and said they should change the executive peacefully in the coming elections instead of using violence to take over.

Canadian-born Guruteg Singh, 26, said most temple members are caught between the warring factions."

(The Toronto Star)

An old-timer! Earl Mountbatten, the last of the British viceroys visited India recently. Pic shows him (right) with the Indian President while Prince Charles (in the centre) looks on.

Minister Dropped For Suggesting Indira - J.P. Dialogue

New Delhi, mar 13 (UNI):the Prime Minister , Mrs. Indira Gandhi dropped from her Council of Ministers the Minister of State for works and housing, Mohan Dharia who has been "publicly" advocating a dialogue with the Sarvodaya leader, Jayaprakash Narayan, who is currently leading a movement for dissolution of the Bihar Assembly.

Immediately after she intimated her decision to Mr. Dharia, the latter sent his letter of resignation to the president Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed and forwarded a copy to the Prime Minister.

The exact contents of mrs. Gandhi's letter to Mr. Dharia were not known. But she is understood to have pointed out to Mr. Dharia the impropriety of his public utterances on matters of party and governmental policies without first discussing them with her. On this ground, she said she had resolved to drop him and requested him to resign.

Earlier in Ahmedabad, Mr. Dharia had said that his mission would be to go on "exposing" the pro-Moscow Communist party of India's "sinister designs" to weaken the Congress to make it more and more dependent on the CPI both in the states and at the Centre.

In his last news conference as Minister just before his departure for Delhi where he submitted his resignation, Mr. Dharia said as long as the CPI continued to tell "lies", his "crusade of telling the truth about the CPI will continue."

He said his insistence on a dialogue with national leaders, including Jayaprakash Narayan, was an effort for a "compromise and conciliation to subserve the cause of the country and democracy and also of the Congress party."

Opposition stalwarts sharply reacted to the removal from office of Mohan Dharia and branded it as "a trend towards authoritarianism."

Advani For People's Candidate

New Delhi, Mar 14 (UNI): The President of the rightist nationalist Hindu party, Jana Sangh, L. K. Advani has urged all parties supporting Jayaprakash Narayan's movement in Bihar for dissolution of the state Assembly to give a "fair trial" to the idea of fielding "janata (people's) candidates" in the coming Parliamentary and Assembly elections.

In his Presidential address to the Jana Sangh's 20th All India session he said the formation of a common bloc in Parliament and the adoption of a "concerted poli strategy," based on a common minimum programme and a common election symbol, could lead up to "an institutionalised alternative to the Congress."

"This would give our endeavour a positive direction and thrust," he said and added "The institutionalised arrangement, I contemplate, may be one unified party or it may be an effective and enduring combination of parites."

India Repeats Protest

New Delhi, Mar. 13 (UNI): India has sent another urgent communication to Islamabad urging the Pakistan Government to restrain Radio Pakistan from carrying out the unceasing "vilification" against India and the Kashmir Chief Minister, Sheikh Abdullah.

Commenting on Radio pakistan reports, informed sources said here that a reply to the Foreign Secretary, Kewal Singh's communication of February 25 had been received from pakistan.

Kewal Singh had pointed out that "Pakistan was violating the understanding in avoiding hostile propaganda with false allegations about non-existent incidents in the Kashmir valley."

In his reply, the pakistan Foreign Secretary, Aga Shahi has alleged that Mr. Singh's Communication was based on "an incorrect and misleading translation of an Urdu commentary."

Informed sources here indicated that Mr. Singh had replied to Mr. Shahi pointing out "even further instances of objectionable and hostile propaganda by Radio Pakistan." Not only was this propaganda being kept up but commentaries from Radio Pakistan were using "most abusive language to villify a respected leader like Sheikh Abdullah."

Travel Agents Get Exchange Licenses

Madras, March 7 (UNI): Approved travel agents handling foreign tourists in the cities of Delhi, Bombay, Madras and Calcutta would be given money changing licence in future to enable them to deal in foreign exchange with visitors to India.

Announcing this at a Convention of Travel Agents Association of India, India's Tourism Minister, Raj Bahadur said the Reserve Bank of India had agreed to grant such licences to travel agents with a turnover of 10,000 dollars in the four cities, and with a turnover of 5,000 dollars in smaller cities. He hoped the step would simplify the work of travel agents in foreign exchange transactions and boost exchange earnings.

Budget - Little Impact On Prices

New Delhi, March 13 (UNI): The wide-ranging indirect taxes proposed in the Central budget for 1975-76 will not have any "significant impact on the price-level," the Finance Secretary, H. N. Ray told newsmen here.

The Chief Economic Adviser, Dr. Manmohan Singh added that excluding motor spirit, levies on other commodities accounted only for eleven per cent weightage in the wholesale index.

Dr. Singh said there was empirical evidence for his forecast after the presentation of the supplementary Budget in July last year that the price level would not shoot up. In fact, the wholesale price index had fallen by two per cent compared to the levels in July despite the considerable extra taxation then proposed in addition to the imposts in the orginal budget and in the Railway budget. Likewise, he was sure that the current massive tax effort would by itself not affect the price levels adversely. The level of taxation did not run counter to the objective of holding the price line.

Strategy Of Political "Giants"

Madras, March 7 (UNI): India's Prime Minister, Mrs. Indira Gandhi has asked partymen to beware of the latest strategy by the political "giants" of the north and the south to remove her from leadership.

Addressing a meeting of Congress workers here, she said the Opposition parties had rallied round a single banner and were making a "deliberate attempt" to create confusion in the country by raising the slogans of "danger to democracy" and "corruption". She viewed the talk of the Congress going the Communist way from the same angle, describing it as another attempt to divide her party.

Strike In Kashmir Flops

Srinagar, Mar 14 (UNI): Pakistan's bid to paralyse life in Jammu and Kashmir failed February 28 as the people went about their normal activities in the state, ignoring the Pakistan Prime Minister, Z. A. Bhutto's call for a general strike (hartal).

In the Nawhatta area of this city, however, there were clashes between workers of the Plebiscite Front (pro-Sheikh Abdullah) and the Awami Action Committee. The area was the scene of similar clashes on several occasions in the past.

Attendance in factories and government offices was cent per cent, according to a Government spokesman. Transport services in the state remained unaffected.

New Ministry In Maharastra

Bombay, March 7 (UNI): A twenty-five member Maharashtra ministry, headed by Shankarao Bhaurao Chavan, was sworn-in at Raj Bhavan, the Governor's official residence.

Those sworn-in include 14 Ministers of cabinet rank and 11 Minister of State.

Eight Ministers of the V.P. Naik cabinet rank and 11 Minister of State.

Eight Ministers of the V.P. Naik cabinet have been dropped from the new state Ministry, which has four new faces.

S.B. Chavan, Agriculture Minister in Mr. Naik's ministry, was unanimously elected leader of the Maharashtra Congress Legislature Party.

His name was proposed by the outgoing Chief Minister, V.P. Naik.

Mr. Naik said "I took the stewardship of the state smilingly and with a similar smile I am going."

He assured his full support to the new Chief Minister.

The party adopted a resolution appreciating the services of Mr. Naik, particularly his work at the time of Koyna earthquake and the drought.

The resolution described Mr. Naik as "a generous, firm and courteous administrator."

Former Jaipur Rulers Not To Be Spared

New Delhi, Mar 14 (UNI): The Finance Minister, C. Subramaniam assured the Rajya Sabha, upper house of Parliament, that law would take its course against the legal heirs of the former Jaipur ruler, the late Sawai Man Singh, in whose Palaces large quantities of gold, jewellery, and other articles have been found.

Preliminary assessment of the materials discovered by Income Tax authorities so far led to the conclusion that there was "very heavy concealment of income and wealth by the members of the family, he said.

Mr. Subramaniam said gold utensils weighing one quintal and silver utensils weighing nearly 50 quintals have so far been inventorised after search from the City Palace, Jaipur. Primary gold and gold coins approximately weighing 848 kilograms and valued at Rs 45 million ($6 million) have been found.

Reddy To Assess Indira's Promises

Hyderabad, March 7 (UNI): The former Lok Sabha (lower house of Parliament) Speaker (presiding officer), N. Sanjiva Reddy has decided to come out of his political retirement and assess the situation in the country in relation to the election promises of the Prime Minister, Mrs. Indira Gandhi.

He, however, made it clear that he would not enter Parliamentary politics any more.

Mr. Reddy, who has been leading a retired life in his village — Illur in Anantapur district — told a news conference that the people had given a massive mandate to Mrs. Gandhi in the last elections for solving the country's problems. The time had come now to assess how far these promises had been kept up, he said.

In 1969, the immediate cause of the Congress split was the nomination of Mr. Reddy by the Congress (Opposition) for the post of President, V.V. Giri, Mrs. Gandhi's candidate, had won the election.

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Rs. 760,000 Prize For Radhakrishnan

The philosopher - statesman and former President of India, Dr. Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan has won Rs 760,000 Templeton Foundation Prize, Religions- "Nobel Prize" for his contribution to the progress in religion.

In announcing the award to Dr. Radhakrishnan the Foundation said he has led to the rediscovery of an understanding of God and his special contribution to modern Hinduism is one of the outstanding features in world religion today

Dr. Radhakrishnan, one of the world's leading philosophers on comparative religion, is the first non-Christian to win the annual prize established three years ago "to stimulate knowledge and love of God on the part of mankind everywhere".

He was President of India from 1962 to 1967.

The prize will be presented in London on March 26. Its previous two winners were Mother Theresa, Catholic missionary, who has cared for the destitute of Calcutta for more than 25 years and Brother Roger Prior of Taize community in France.

Plebicite Front In London To Continue

New Delhi, March 7 (UNI): The London-based Plebiscite Front will continue its battle till justice was done to the Kashmiris in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir according to the Front's Chief, Dr. Farooq Abdullah.

Dr. Farooq, the eldest son of Kashmir leader Sheikh Mohammed Abdullah, hoped in an interview to UNI that the people of India would actively support the Front till the people in occupied Kashmir achieved their demands.

Saxbe In India

New Delhi, Mar 13 (UNI): The United States Ambassador-designate, William Saxbe declared on arrival here that he was "very proud to represent President Ford and his Government in India."

Mr. Saxbe , who was accompanied by his wife, declined to make any statement but expressed the hope that "my stay in India would be very successful."

A former Attorney-General of the United States, Mr. Saxbe replaces Daniel Moynihan who returned to Washington in January after relinquishing his office here to take up a teaching assignment in Harvard University.

Hands Off Kashmir: Abdullah

Srinagar, Mar 13 (UNI): The Kashmir Chief Minister, Sheikh Mohammad abdullah bluntly told the pakistan Prime Minister, Z. A. Bhutto that Kashmiris knew how to decide their fate, and were not prepared to dance to anyone's tune.

The Sheikh made the bitterest attack yet on Mr. Bhutto's attempts "to meddle in our affiars" in an hour-long address to a mammoth gathering at Srinagar's historic Lal Chjowk immediately on arrival in the city after a three-day journey from Jammu, the winter capital of the state.

No Dialogue With Phizo

New Delhi, Mar 14 (UNI): India's Prime Minister, Mrs. Indira Gandhi has ruled out any dialogue with the Naga hostile leader, A. Z. Phizo, because, she explained, he was not aware of the present situation, being away from the country.

Intervening during question hour in Rajya Sabha, upper house of Parliament, Mrs. Gandhi said by and large the people of Nagaland wanted peace and development and only a few persons were against the government.

57 Per Cent Are Asians

Of an estimated global population of 3,860 million, some 2,204 million, or 57.1 per cent are Asians, according to the latest edition of the United Nations Demographic Yearbook published Feb. 4.

Europe, with 472 million, accounts for 12.2 per cent, followed by Africa (374 million or 9.7 per cent); Latin America (309 million or 8 per cent); the Soviet Union (250 million or 6.5 per cent); North America (236 million or 6.1 per cent); and Oceania (20,600,000 or 0.5 per cent).

U.P. Cabinet Expanded

Lucknow, March 15 (UNI): The Uttar Pradesh cabinet headed by H.N. Bahuguna has been expended from 11 to 20, with the addition of nine Ministers of cabinet rank.

There is no Minister of State or Deputy Minister in the U.P. cabinet.

Scooters To Be Exported

Lucknow, March 11 (UNI): The Scooters India Ltd., a Govt. of India undertaking, will export ten per cent of its production to earn foreign exchange for the country, its Chairman, S. Sundararajan said here.

Talking to newsmen before handing over the first batch of its scooters christened "Vijay", he said the factory had agreed to export scooters to Taiwan and Indonesia.

The factory would manufacture 60,000 scooters next financial year against an installed capacity of 1,20,000.

Zionist Attack On India House

Following the attack on January 13, reportedly by a Zionist organization on India House in New York, all the Indian missions abroad especially those in the vulnerable areas, have been alerted to be vigilant, Bipin Pal Das stated in the Rajya Sabha.

The Missions have also been asked rigorously to observe the security instructions separately issued to deal with similar situation, the minister said.

"Our missions have also been advised, in this regard to keep in touch with the local security agencies whose responsibility it is to ensure the security of our missions and personnel posted there," the minister said.

Chinese Arms To Pak

New Delhi, March 16 (UNI): The Chinese arms supply to Pakistan is being fully taken into account while planning Indian Defence measures, the Defence Minister, Swaran Singh assured the Rajya Sabha, upper house of Parliament.

President's Rule In Gujarat Extended

New Delhi, Mar 14 (UNI): The Lok Sabha, has approved a motion by the Home Minister, K. Brahmananda Reddi seeking extension of President's (direct Central) rule in Gujarat for another six months from March 11.

Replying to the three-hour debate, Mr. Reddi stoutly defended the extension and said it was imperative at this juncture not to disturb or divert the administration from the good work it was doing of tackling a very difficult drought situation. Denying the Opposition charge that the ruling party was putting off elections because it had developed "cold feet," he said what was most important now for the people of Gujarat was relief and not elections.

However, he assured the house that elections would be held in Gujarat at the appropriate time.

The Lok Sabha has passed by voice vote the Tobacco Board Bill providing for the creation of a tobacco board with headquarters at Guntur in Andhra Pradesh.

Saudi Arabian Petroleum Minister Shaikh Ahmed Yemani called on Mrs. Indira Gandhi during his Indian Visit and assured her special attention to meet India's oil requirements and credits to finance the colossal costs involved.

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SHAMEFUL EPISODE

As reported elsewhere two groups in the Toronto Shiromani Sikh Society decided to settle their differences with clubs and knives and as a result several of them have been admitted to hospital. The Gurudwara is reported to have been sealed off by the provincial police. The incident struck headlines on front pages of some newspapers and was the top story on some radio and television news programs. This incident is indeed shameful to say the least.

The reasons for the clash are somewhat silly. The traditionalists among the Toronto Sikhs believe that any Sikh who does not wear a turban and beard is not a Sikh. The reformed Sikhs without turban and beard, of course, disagree. According to reports the clash is over who should have control of the Gurudwara - traditionalists or reformed?

To most people it would appear that nowadays the external symbols of a religion are not that important as they once were.

Religion is not, and should not be, that one can show by one's attire, growth, or lack of it, of a beard. Religion goes much deeper than that. Man is not made for religion. Religion is for man. Any individual who upholds the external manifestations of a religion without believing in its fundamentals is, one could say, sick. This is the kind of sickness shown by a group of Sikhs in Toronto recently.

They could not have chosen a more inopportunate time for their silly quarrels. The country is in the process of a national debate on the quantity and quality of immigrants it should take. No one would suggest that Canada should have religious fanatics as immigrants to this country.

This little, but shameful episode, will be blown out of proportion by interested persons and used against Indian immigration in general. In other words, the thoughtless deeds of a handful of religious fanatics for whom a turban and a beard are far more important than anything else in life (otherwise they would not try to kill each other) is likely to hurt further the poor image of the people of Indian origin in Canada.

The episode also shows how rudderless is the Indian community in Toronto. They have no leaders who could give them some guidance. May be given the linguistic regional, and religious differences no Indian will be accepted as a leader. It seems no one has tried either.

Views On Hindi Sought

New Delhi, March 14(UNI): India's Permanent Representative at the United Nations has been instructed to assess the views of the delegates of the other countries on the question of making Hindi one of the official languages of the world body.

Giving this information in the Lok Sabha, lower house of Parliament the Deputy External Affairs Minister, Bipin Dal Das has said that on the basis of the response and assessment of the possibilities, the Government of India would take further action in this matter.

When some members suggested that Indian Embassies abroad and in the United Nations should be asked to speak and correspond only in Hindi, Bipin Pal Das replied that the embassies had been given instructions on similar lines. In U.N., however, delegations could speak only in the languages recognised by the world body.

Indo-Iraq Agreement

New Delhi, Mar. 14 (UNI): India and Iraq last weekend signed two agreements on cooperation in the scientific and agricultural fields.

The first protocol provides for exchange of scientiests and researches and taking up joint researches in agricultural and animal sciences.

Under the protocol, the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) will make available agricultural experts for assignments at Iraq's Foundation of Scientific Research.

LETTERS

Ramphal Vs. Indo-Guyanese

I wish to comment on the news release pertaining to Sonny Ramphal of Guyana in one of your recent issues.

Mr. Ramphal has no following among the Indo-Guyanese and he could not be elected in a free and impartial election.

He is among two persons of Indo-Guyanese origin selected by Mr. Burnham, the Prime Minister of Guyana to serve as "window dressing" to delude the people overseas into believing that Indo-Guyanese have representation in his minority government.

As attorney general it was Mr. Ramphal who introduced laws that throttled the press, destroyed opposition parties and created a virtual policestate, all to the benefit of Mr. Burnham.

Whether Mr. Ramphal is married to an English woman or whether Idi Amin of Uganda is proposing a candidate of his choice for the same position to which Mr. Ramphal is aspiring is irrelevant. The fact of the matter is that Mr. Ramphal is the chief propagandist for the Burnham regime, a regime that deliberately keeps in subjugation the vast majority of people of Guyana who happen to be of Indian origin.

L. Sitaram, Chicago, Ill.

India Government And Foreign Exchange

Could any of your knowledgible readers help me with a suggestion or advice in a situation in which I don't know what to do next?

In May 1974 I sent by registered mail a bank draft for one thousand Indian rupees to my brother in India. The letter was detained by the Assistant Collector of Customs (Foreign Post Department), New Delhi with the objection that the importation of Indian currency was not permitted under the Foreign Exchange Regulation Act.

I wrote to the Customs authorities explaining that the draft was purchased through normal banking channels against payment in Canadian dollars. I also wrote twice to the Indian High Commission in Ottawa. My brother in India sent several reminders to the customs authorities explaining the situation. The Indian High Commission, in reply to my two letters, stated that they wrote to the appropriate authorities in India and that the reply was still awaited.

Ten months have passed since I sent the draft to help my brother meet a domestic emergency. Do I assume that we are at the mercy of the whim of some customs official who interpretted the Foreign Exchange Act to harass us? Can nothing be done? or did I go wrong?

I shall appreciate help.

O. P. JOSHI
Charlottetown, P.E.I.

More Taxes In Budget

New Delhi, Mar. 14 (UNI): The hard-pressed common man and the middle classes will have to shoulder a heavier burden in the coming year as a result of the stiff taxation proposals for 1975-76 anounced by India's Finance Minister, C. Subramaniam affecting a wide variety of consumer items.

They will have to pay more for their tea, sugar, cloth, cigarettes, petrol and a host of other articles.

Notwithstanding this massive dose of taxation fetching him Rs 2880 million ($ 384 million) (including Rs 490 million - 66.3 million to the states), the finance minister left an uncovered deficit of Rs 2250 million ($300 million) next year.

The deficit for 1974-75, according to the revised estimates, shot up from Rs 1260 million (168 million) assumed in the budget originally to Rs 6250 million ($833.3 million.)

Outlining the philosophy behind his budget, he said that a rapidly growing economy was the best insurance against perpetuation of poverty. But in the short run, there was no escape from taking "unpopular and unpalatable measures" to restrain and discipline the demand pressures operating on the limited availabilities of food and fuel, of cloth and housing, of transport and power in an economy besieged by rising prices."

The Minister said that though there were visible signs of a downward trend in prices, the fever of inflation had not been entirely cured. It has yet only shown signs of some abatement.

His major concern was to sep up the pace of investment in areas cruel to the healthy growth of the economy. But the effectiveness of the measures proposed by him would hinge on the wilingness of different sections of the community to contribute their utmost to the common endeavour."

Mr. Subramaniam, who relied mainly on indirect taxes for raising his revenue, did not propose any change in the direct taxes for individuals. On the other hand, he announced some reliefs as well as incentives for savings through provident fund, life insurance and the like.

Individuals within an income of Rs. 12,000 ($1600) a year will get a tax-free deduction of Rs 1,000 ($133) each for two children who are undergoing degree or post-graduage courses in medicine, engineering and other technical subjects. In regard to diploma and degree courses on other technical subjects, the allowance will be Rs 50 ($66.67) each, subject to a maximum of two children.

To promote individual long-term savings through provident fund, life insurance etc., the Finance Minister allowed an income-tax deduction of one hundred per cent in the first four thousand rupees ($533) of qualifying savings, plus fifty per cent of the next Rs 6000 ($800) and forty per cent of the balance.

In regard to the corporate sector, Mr. Subramaniam announced a package of measures for improving the investment climate. There included extension of tax holiday, exemption of inter-corporate dividends derived from new companies engaged in high priority industries, and so on.

Mr. Subramaniam promised that the Govt. would examine the need for suitable fiscal concessions and new pricing policies to stimulate fresh investment after receiving the report of a high-level committee now going into the escalation of capital costs.

The Minister said that his budget represented an effort "to balance two paramount and somewhat conflicting needs, — short-term need to keep in check inflationary pressures and the equally important requirement to sustain the tempo of development.

Defending his high indirect taxation, the Minister said that his main attempt was to select those items that were generally used by the more affluent sections of the society.

Former President V. V. Giri was awarded Bharat Ratna, the highest civilian honour of the country. F. A. Ahmed adorns him with the insignia of the Award at a special investiture in New Delhi.

Indian

[The following is an address by T. J. Samuel at the Seminar on East Indian organized by Ontario Association Toronto on March 1

I would like to express gratitude to the organizers of this seminar for having invited me to participate in it. I must state at the outset that what I say here may express today's views and personal views and should not be attributed to any organization I am associated with.

India has many facets. A nation of 600 million people, additions every year to its population every year, a land of contradictions, with some of the poorest people in the world, and also some of the richest. India is Ajanta and Ellora, at Bombay and Nagaland and Assam, it is maharajas and sweepers, Harvard graduates and unlettered villagers, tough Sikh soldiers and peace loving Jain monks in flowing turbans, Gandhi caps, the latest Paris fashions, simplest loin cloth, palaces and huts, automobiles and wooden ploughs, Mercedes Benz cars and bullock carts, Hindus, Moslems, Christians (incidently Christianity came to India before it reached England), Sikhs, Jews, Parsees, Buddhists and athiests. I cannot even summarizes the social, religious and cultural conditions in India, most of these immediately come up.

The historical aspects of Indian immigration to Canada is very interesting. The first Indians in Canada and North America are completely unknown to everyone. Almost nearly one hundred years before Columbus sighted the West Indian islands. The Indians arrived first from California when gold was struck in the Fraser River in B.C. The Indians arrived much later. It happened when the Sikh soldiers did yeoman service for the British Empire and got recognition for their bravery and service in the army. Many Sikhs were rewarded by the King of England as representatives of the Empire at Queen Victoria's Jubilee in 1898. On returning to India they visited Canada and were treated and entertained in Canada. On returning to India they maintained a diary of their trip to Canada. Many of them decided to settle in Canada. They arrived and found ample unskilled labour shortage in the lumber mills.

Between 1904-1908 many of them reached B.C. They were mistakenly called Hindus though almost all of them were Sikhs. To quote Harold Woodsworth, "the Hindus and odd appearance created dislike and B.C. labour struggles to make them the manifest unease and occasional outbreaks of violence against them as there were against the Chinese and Japanese. Measures were taken to restrict immigration of Asiatics, the "Hindus". One of the measures used was the "continuous passage" rule of 1908 which said that no Indian can come to Canada except by continuous journey from India. And there were no direct sailings from India visiting Canadian ports. In April 1914 the Komagata Maru episode took place. The ship sailed from India chartered by a Sikh who came by continuous passage to Vancouver. The ship reached Vancouver port but was not allowed to land before finally being sent back. That is known as the Komagata Maru incident.

Many of the Indians who were in B.C., having failed to realize their dreams,

Indians In Canada: An Overview

(The following is an address by Dr. T. J. Samuel at the Intercultural Seminar on East Indians organized by Ontario Association in Toronto on March 13, 1975).

I would like to express my gratitude to the organizers of this seminar for having invited me to participate in it. I must mention at the outset that whatever views I may express today are my own personal views and they should not be attributed to any organization I am associated with.

India has many faces and many facets. A nation of about 600 million people, adding a Canada to its population every year is a land of contradictions. There live some of the poorest people in the world, and also some of the richest. India is Atomic physicists at Bombay and Naga tribesmen in Assam, it is maharajas and street sweepers, Harvard trained scholars and unlettered farmers, it is tough Sikh soldiers and peace loving Jain monks. It wears turbans, Gandhi caps and no caps, the latest Paris fashion and simplest loin cloth. It is palaces and huts, automobile factories and wooden ploughs, Mercedes Benz cars and bullockcarts. It is Hindus, Moslems, Christians (incidently Christianity reached India before it reached Rome), Sikhs, Jews, Parsis, Buddhists and athiests. I suppose that summarizes the socio-economic and cultural conditions in which most of these immigrants grew up.

The historical aspect of Indian immigration to Canada makes very interesting reading. Asia and North America were completely unknown to each other until nearly one hundred years after Columbus sighted the West Indian islands. The Chinese came first from California in 1858 when gold was struck in Fraser River, B.C. The Indians came much later. It happened like this. The Sikh soldiers did yoemen service for the British Empire and won recognition for their meritorious service in the army. Some of them were rewarded by being sent to England as representatives of the Empire at Queen Victoria's Jubilee in 1898. On returning to India they visited Canada and were well treated and entertained in Canada. On returning to India they maintained fond memories of their trip to Canada and some of them decided to settle in Canada. They arrived in 1904 and filled labour shortages in B.C. lumber mills.

Between 1904-1907, 5,179 of them reached B.C. They were mistakenly called "Hindus", though almost all of them were Sikhs. To quote Charles-Woodsworth, "their queer dress and odd appearance created dislike and B.C. watched their struggles to make a living with manifest unease". There were outbreaks of violence against them as there were against those of Chinese and Japanese origins. Measures were taken to stop the immigration of the so-called "Hindus". One rule effectively used was the "continuous passage" rule of 1908. It said that an Indian can come to Canada only by continuous passage from India. And there were no ships from India visiting Canadian ports. In April 1914 a memorable episode took place. 376 Sikhs from India chartered a ship and came by continuous passage to Vancouver. The ship sat in Vancouver port for three months before finally being turned away. That is known as the Komagata Maru incident.

Many of the Indian immigrants in B.C., having failed to realize their dreams, left for the U.S. They, as well as many Chinese and Japanese immigrants, did not receive a rousing welcome there either. The late President Kennedy wrote: "Our behaviour toward these groups (oriental immigrants) of newcomers represented a shameful episode in our relationship to those seeking the hospitality of our shores. They are often mobbed and stoned by native Americans". If one examines the treatment meted out to Oriental immigrants in the past one could observe that rarely in the social history of a nation has so much abuse been showered on so few by so many.

After India and Pakistan emerged as free nations in the Commonwealth, a quota system was introduced for immigrants from that part of the world. It allowed 150 immigrants each year from India.

In the postwar period over 4 million people from all over the world have uprooted and transplanted themselves to Canada. Of them 80,000 were born in India. They joined about 3,000 of Indian origin who were living in Canada, mostly in B.C.

However, people of Indian origin did not come from the Indian subcontinent alone. They came also from Guyana, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, Kenya, South Africa, Fiji, Mauritius and many other countries. Their numbers are hard to estimate though their faces are easy to be recognized. Out of about 80,000 who came from the above-mentioned countries in the post-war period, if about 50 per cent are likely to be of Indian origin, another 40,000 should be added to the population of Indian origin in Canada. Of course to this should be added the children born to Indian immigrants while in Canada.

The numbers who returned to India or remigrated to another country come on the minus side. After considering all these one may guesstimate that people of Indian origin in Canada is somewhere between 125,000 and 140,000 at the present time.

It may be asked: Where do the Indo-Canadians stand in relation to the other ethnic groups as far as numbers are concerned. I would be inclined to think that their number exceeds those of people with ethnic origins such as Danish, Finnish, Cheezh, Belgium, Japanese and Negro. Thus in short in the multicultural social fabric of our country, the people of Indian origin are not as insignificant a number as is often believed to be. Their numbers could be very close to the number of Canadians of Portugese or Chinese origin.

Approximately half of these people of Indian origin are settled in Ontario mostly in Toronto. According to the 1971 Census, Metropolitan Ottawa is a distant second followed by Hamilton, London, Kitchener, Windsor and Thunder Bay.

Indian immigrants who came before the world war went mostly to B.C. Even in 1946-61 period about 75-80 per cent of them went to B.C. Since then Ontario has been receiving a larger share than B.C.

Up to 1946, virtually 100 per cent of Indian immigrants were in three occupations, sawmilling, farming and trucking. In 1947-52 about one out of six who came to join the labour force was in managerial, professional or technical occupations. By 1953-55, it rose to one third. By 1956-61 two out of five came to join such occupations. In 1962-73 period almost half the immigrant workers from India came to managerial, professional and technical occupations. Among them about one in five is a teacher, another an engineer, another a doctor and the remaining two the rest.

Apart from changes in occupational composition over the last few years, there has also been a change in religious composition. Since no hard and fast figures are available, no percentages can be quoted. However, it may be stated that the number of Hindus, Moslems and Christians from India has increased substantially in recent years. It would probably be true to say that the majority of recent immigrants from India are not from the religious group, Sikhs.

The process of the adaptation and settlement of the immigrants may be approached from three angles: (a) Economic (b) Socio-cultural and (c) Political. Economically people of Indian origin operate successfully at all levels of employment from labouring to the millionaire class. Looking specifically at three areas of economic adaptation - employment, income and housing according to a study of the Dept. of Manpower and Immigration as reported in one of the volumes of the Green Paper, Indian immigrants who came between 1969 and 1971 started to work on an average 5½ weeks after their arrival in the country. The British immigrants had to wait only half as long while the Chinese and Yugoslavian immigrants waited a week longer.

After 3 years in Canada, the Indian immigrants who came in 1969 had an average family income of $9,056 a year. This compares to $12,237 for British immigrants, who were at the top and $6,457 for Italian immigrants who were at the bottom. Between the year 1969 and 1971, the Indian immigrants had increased their income by 69 per cent.

Indian immigrants have not, generally speaking, established ethnic neighbourhoods of residential districts from the posh to the poor. According to the study referred to above, in three years 29 per cent of them bought their homes. A quarter of Italian and Chinese immigrants, and one eight of West Indian immigrants and less than one tenth of Greek immigrants became homeowners during the same period.

On the basis of an assumption that there are about 40,000 households of Indo-Canadians and that the average income per family is around $13,000 now their contribution to the GNP of the country works out to be over $500 million.

Indian immigrants have produced their due share of businesses as well. All such businesses are not easily recognizable such as the boutiques, restaurants and spice shops.

In general one could say that people of Indian origin have integrated very well into the Canadian economy.

Social integration is a very difficult term to define precisely. Available evidence indicates that Indian immigrants are integrating smoothly socially as well. According to the study of immigrants quoted in the Green Paper, 70 per cent of Indian immigrants reported, after three years in Canada, that they feel at home here. The question asked was: "Do you now feel that Canada is your home country, or do you feel as if you belong more to your former country?" This compares with 50-64 per cent of immigrants from Portugal, France, Greece and Britian who felt the same way. Less than half the immigrants from Germany, U.S.A., Philippines, W. Indies, Italy and Australia said they felt at home in Canada.

Indian immigrants were also more likely to take Canadian citizenship than many other immigrant groups. I will spare you the figures here.

Despite their high level of education Indian immigrants, like most other immigrants, do feel a culture shock on arrival. What is culture shock? An example may explain it. A Japanese woman immigrant to U.S.A. in early 20th century saw for the first time a husband and wife kissing in public. The immigrant was shocked. She wrote back to her mother in Japan: "These Americans have a strange custom. They lick each other like dogs to show their affection".

Well, the Indian immigrants are unlikely to write such letters. But may be they will not accept all cultural aspects of the host society without question. For example, some Indian immigrants do not wish to participate in social dancing. They may say it is "jumping around with someone else's wife".

The children born to Indian immigrants here are often culturally totally indistinguishable from any other children. The only distinguishing mark is their colour. Many of these young men and women are now intermarrying with non-Indians and if this becomes widespread, it is unlikely that the Indian ethnic group will be visible in a few generations time - unless replenished by continuous streams of migration from India.

Culturally the Indian immigrants are enriching the multicultural character of our society. Indian yoga, cooking, music etc. are increasingly being appreciated in Canada.

The Indian immigrant is often found torn in the horns of a dilemma - whether to retain his

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Abdullah In Kashmir

By George Mathew

Sheikh Mohammad Abdullah took over the reins of Administration in the sensitive border state of Jammu and Kashmir. The return of the Sheikh to the helm of affairs in his home state after a lapse of 22 years was on the cards since 1973 when Prime Minister Mrs. Indira Gandhi met him "to open a new chapter" in the affairs of the state. But there were no immediate meeting grounds.

The Sheikh was adament with his demands for the state's autonomy and a plebicite in order to give his people the right of self-determination. he insisted that the people of Kasmir should be let alone to decide their future. In July 1973 he declared: "If there is no autonomy for the state there is no occasion either." On an earlier occasion he said:" On this side of Jammu and Kashmir the people would launch endless struggle to get their basic right of self-determination which has been snached from them for about 600 years."

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Though out of power and in political excile for more than two decades, the tallest of the Kashmiri leaders kept contact with his people who hailed him as Sher-i-Kashmir. His popularity among Kashmiris grew from strength to strength. The chain of events that took place in the subcontinent did not dampen the confidence his people placed on him as their leader and emancipator. They knew that their unchallenged leader would one day return to resurrect them from oppression.

Immediately after he was ousted in 1953, efforts were made to bring him back to power because of the large following he commanded in his state. His leadership ability and his personality were never at a discount. The question was about his view on the set up of the sensitive border state in the context of integrity and external threat. In 1952 the then Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru told him: "We will bind you in chains of gold."

Efforts were made in 1958 for a dialogue between the Sheikh and Nehru. Before things could materialise he was arrested by the state government because of pressure from elements hostile to him. But of the arrest of the Sheikh never proved a solution.

After his release from Jail in 1964 Nehru and the Sheikh held talks on the future set up of Jammu and Kashmir. The discussions were inconclusive because of Nehru's death that year.

The 69-year old Kashmiri leader said recently that he was "taking a tremendous risk" by agreeing to run the government in the state. But it is hoped that a leader of his stature would live up to the expectation of his new position although in changed conditions.

KASHMIRI

An analysis of his recent utterances give the impression that the Sheikh himself has climbed down considerably vis-a-vis his political demands and his relation to Pakistan presumably in tune with the change of events during the last two decades and more. At one time he maintained that he was neither an Indian nor a Pakistani but a Kashmiri by nationality. Now he has not only confirmed that he is an Indian but called upon his people, the Muslim community in India, to fall in line with the rest of the nation. He has already been speaking about alternatives to the state's autonomy and plebicite.

The Sheikh was appointed head of Administration in the State of Jammu and Kashmir in 1947-48 and became the Prime Minister of the state in 1948. Under the special status given to the state in the Indian constitution he held the position until 1953. He was a member of the Indian delegation to the United Nations in 1948.

He maintained that the accession of Jammu and Kashmir at the time of partition of the country was not final and pleaded for a plebicite to determine the future of the state. In his political utterances and progressive views to build an independent Kashmir, the Indian leadership found an imminent threat to the integrity of the nation. He was ousted from power in 1953 and was arrested. He was tried in the Kashmir Conspiracy Case which went on until it was withdrawn in 1964.

He visited Pakistan the same year and held talks with President Ayub Khan and later went on Haj pilgrimage to Mecca and visited Egypt, Algeria and the United Kingdom. On his return his passport was impounded by the Government of India and he was arrested in Delhi. he was kept under detention and house arrest in New Delhi, Oottakmund and Kodaikanal (in South India) until January 1968. He was externed from Jammu and Kashmir in January 1971. He was allowed to re-enter the state in 1972.

The Sheikh has three sons and two daughters.

The Great Debate Within Congress

By A.J. Singh

So, after all it seems that there will be elections, although the when of the elections is uncertain. The political parties have started gearing up their propaganda machinery and discusions about election alliances are being heard more often.

Haryana Debacle:

After the Jubalpur humiliation which has been focus of attention of all the political eyes in India, the Congress party has now suffered a second set back by losing two out of three seats in Haryana. The entire opposition seems to share the credit for the defeat of the ruling party and is sparing no effort to give it a wide publicity.

However, an analysis of the Haryana by-elections has revealed that the outcome in these three constituencies has been determined mostly by local factors. Although caste considerations played a big role in the voting pattern yet it would not be wrong to say that an anti-congress wave is also evidence in the state.

What makes it hard for the congress party is that it had been very anxious about elections in Haryana. Becoming wiser, it has now decided on the postponement of the elections in Gujarat for obvious reasons. But eventually when it takes place there is no doubt that the congress party will spare no efforts to win it since the opposition prefers to call the Gujarat elections as a trend-setter for the rest of the states in India.

J.P. Movement versus Congress:

Two issues emerge clearly. Firstly, the J.P. movement and secondly the Congress-C.P.I. alliance. Over these two major issues the Congress party seems to be divided in three distinct folds — the pro-CPI, the pro-JP. and the traditional Congressmen.

J.P's influence is obviously expanding its tentacles and the latest riff in the Bihar Congress legislature party who have expressed their lack of confidence in Mr. Ghaffor's Govt. has added to it tremendously. The Govt. critics ask — Is this a pointer to their sympathies to J.P.? It may be too early to say 'yes" to it but there may be more than meets the eye.

What are the drawbacks that the J.P. movement suffers from?

The most glaring is that he is supported by such opposition parties as are not prepared to lose their identity. Hence it seems impossible that J.P. will ever be able to lead such opposition parties, with diametricaly opposing idealogies. He can still emerge as a strong threat to the ruling party if he could somehow forge a new party by merging all his supporting parties into one big party, and then lead it personally to the polls.

On the other hand the Congress party's house is also in great disarray. It has many splinter groups and without a united stand the Congress party is unable to oppose J.P. But it is possible that with the danger of elections looming large, the party bosses may succeed in drawing them together in the next few months. But right now, this is not evident at all. On the contrary they (splinter groups) are becoming increasingly vocal to add to the difficulties of the party leadership.

It is true that the J.P. movement has been able to draw a wedge in the rank and file of the Congress. The tension has infact grown to such an extent that anyone who questions the Congress party campaign against J.P. Narayan is brabded as 'fascist'. Those who favour a policy of re-approachment towards J.P. find themselves isolated to an extent that party stalwarts like D. K. Malviya have been speaking of another 'purge' in the party. The latest to join this band is Sashi Bhushan.

C.P.I.—Congress Alliance:

The bitterest critics of pro-CPI alliance with the Congress have not been the old conservative Congressmen but the leaders of the so-called young Turks. Considered thus, the oft-repeated charge levelled by the pro-CPI lobby that its only opposition is from "reactionary forces" doesn't sound true.

The alliance is more deeper than is evident. The CPI had been following a definite strategy. Right from the beginning it has been winning supporters within the Congress party. Now lately with the help of its sympathisers the CPI has been pushing the Congress in a particular direction through a sustained and a vigorous campaign of vilification against senior Congress leaders like Jagjivan Ram, C. Subramaniam and T. A. Pai. This has been done to attain the objective of capturing power from Congress in the long run. The fact that it has been trying to isolate those (if not drive them out) who are against the alliance and strengthening the position of those who favour it supports this inference.

The basis for following this theory can be traced in the communist theory, which provides for two types of alliance with non-working class of the society either at the top or at the grassroots. CPI has, however, chosen the first, which implies that it should first build pressure on the top leadership of the ruling party, than force it to accept certain policies and eventually share power with it.

Unfortunately, this strategy of CPI has been thwarted for reasons beynd its control. The economic situation and the spiralling prices during the last three years, have eroded the image of the ruling party. This, in turn has hit the CPI which has been backing the Congress party to the hilt. Other factors which have helped to impede the strategy are as follows:

1. The branding of Mr. Narayan as 'fascist' leader of right reaction hasn't cut much ice with the public, including the intelligentia.
2. The easing of control and giving the big business houses a greater flexibilty in increasing production and stabilising economy by the Govt. a virtual reversal of the communisitic idealogy, has gone against the CPI.
3. CPI's campaign against India forming close relations with the United States didn't go well on one hand, on the other hand it also failed to bring Russia much closer to India.

Conclusion:

The present state of pressures within the ruling Congress is indeed great. Hence it will have to face tough time in the coming months if the divisive forces within the party and the movement of J.P. join hands. Further unity among the opposition parties under the leadership of J.P. can also wreck the image of the Congress party in the coming elections. The only flaw which is of advantage to the Congress party is that at present the J.P. movement remains amorphous.

To transform a movement which grew out of a given situation into an instrument for winning elections is no easy. Although many proposals have been put forward to J.P. including that of forming a new All India Party, yet he has prefered to remain quiet on this aspect. This has put the Congress party leadership in a tight corner since they can't evolve any strategy unless J.P. makes his plans clear. Thus his quietness is proving more upsetting to the ruling elite than to him.

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Heartbreakes And Heated Debates

Directed by Raj Khosla
Story and dialogue by Rahi Masoom Raza
RAFOO CHAKKAR
Directed by Narender Bedi

After making two fascinating (eastern) westerns— Mera Gaon Mera Desh and Kachche Dhaage — Raj Kholsla has fallen for the eternal triangle with its eternal attributes: heartbreaks and heated debates, sentimentality and high-strung drama, the conflict between friendship and love. One would have no objection to Khosla's theme provided it were given new treatment. There is no doubt a restructuring of the love triangle but it does not make it a better one — decidedly unlike his Do Raaste.

This Prem Kahani (love story) is placed in the time of the Quit India movement of 1942. The patriotism and martyrdom of his revolutionary father forces the premi (lover) to sacrifice the delights of a possible wedded life and take to the rigours of life as a militant revolutionary. Fleeing from the pursuing bloodthirsty British rulers, he seeks shelter at his pal's who is none other than a police office loyal to the British crown. The premi confronts an unexpected and peculiar situation: he is an intruder on his friend's nuptial night. Need we tell you that the **premi** meets his old flame in his pal's newly wedded wife? Need we also tell you of the suspicions and doubts that naturally arise, as also the conflict between duty and friendship? The nuptial remains uncon-summatted till these issues are sorted out, when the woman makes her choice.

Shashi Kapoor's police officer is quietly dignified. But at times he is so camera-conscious that he hands the scene, which belongs to him, to Rajesh Khanna. And there is an odd error in continuity: Shashi sports sideburns whenever he is at home in civvies but one finds them missing when he is in police uniform, even when he goes straight from home to the police station.

The only memorable character in **Prem Kahani** is outside the love triangle— the Panthan truck driver (played so forcefully by Vinod Khanna) who takes his own life rather than be tortured into confession.

Raj Khosla makes the **premi** a poet to make Prem Kahani "a musical saga of three youths intensely (sic) loving and lovable — each one righteous in the expression of heart's purest urges but together, having a tryst with destiny!!!" There are anachronisms: The period of the film is the early forties but the hairstyles and dresses given to the "three loving and lovable youths" are of the seventies. Only in one scene do we see King George VI's photograph; otherwise it is Edward VIII, who abdicated in favour of George in 1936. In the scenes on the passing of the Quit India resolution at Bombay in 1942, Subhas Chandra Bose's slogan is attributed to another Congress leader. Raj Khosla told pressmen that he would have included Subhas Bose's portait in the scenes were some footage on Bose available to him. He does not know perhaps that Subhas Bose at that time was organizing the INA in southeast Asia.

Remember **Some Like It Hot**? Billy Wilder directed it with panache, packing in it many hilarious situations when he made Tony Curtis and Jack Lemmon dress as women and join a ladies' band. **Rafoo Chakkar** has the same central idea but it is not as rollickingly funny as its Hollywood original. Rishi Kapoor and Paintal are not and cannot be Tony Curtis and Jack Lemmon. And whenever screenplay writer K. K. Shukla departs from the original, the gags fail to click.

Rishi Kapoor as a transvestite looks fairer and more effeminate than leading lady Neetu Singh. Paintal tickles the funny bone but only occasionally. Astani makes the proceedings funnier when he bursts out into word-for-word English translation of Hindi idioms. There have been many imitations of Marilyn Monroe in the west but none has duplicated the magnetic appeal of the original; and Neetu Singh cannot be Monroe though she may have youth on her side.

—— Democratic World ——

Valuable Coins Found

Sundernagar, (Himachal Pradesh), March 7 (UNI): The excavation of the foundations of a house in a Purana Bazar in Badsu yielded silver coins bearing Arabic inscriptions, weighing about twelve grams and believed to be of the Moghul era.

Centuries ago, Badsu was the capital of the erstwhile Suket state.

Small Industry Workshop In Detroit

India Development Service, in cooperation with the India Student Association of the University of Detroit and Indian Investment Centre, held a workshop on "How to Start a Small Industry in India" in Detroit on February 1, 1975.

Over eighty people braved the winter winds to hear experts on various aspects of the topic and to have their questions answered.

Speakers came from New York, Lansing, Chicago and Washington, D.C. to inform the group on such topics as the Governments of India's incentives and procedures to help the small entrepreneur and export oriented small industries. Mr. Mehra, of the Indian Investment Centre spoke on the first topic and Mr. Ahluwalia of the Engineering Export Promotion Council on the second.

In addition, Mr. Ramakrishnan, Minister, Economic from the Embassy of India spoke on investment opportunities in India and Mr. Hiremath, of India Development Service spoke about the entrepreneur's viewpoint of setting up a small industry.

The panel in the afternoon provided an opportunity for experts to discuss the various topics to be considered by the entrepreneur and interact with the participants.

Those who attended the workshop found the day fruitful and went away with a good deal more information and inspiration than they had had before they came.

India Development Service also arranges meeting with interested people and visiting entrepreneurs from India. If you know of an entrepreneur who plans to visit the U.S. or if you are interested in more information about small industries in India or India Development Service's work, please write to India Development Service, P. O. Box 980, Chicago, Illinois 60690.

Miles For Millions

OTTAWA-HULL REGION MILES FOR MILLIONS walk, the world's oldest, longest and most successful has two very important innovations this year. The Walk has been scheduled for MAY 10th and the walk will be measured in Kilometres rather than miles.

Because we will all be measuring in Metric units by the end of the decade, the conversion from miles to kilometers is a significant vehicle to acquaint us with the new system. The length of the walk is still the same, but the walkers will now cover 56 kilometres which equals 35 miles. Sponsors are urged to remember this fact when sponsoring walkers.

Last year 20,000 walkers gamely braved the wintry weather to raise $160,000.00.

The Ottawa-Hull Region walk is the most successful in the world and raises more money per walker than any other march. So walkers, start exercising in preparation for the first Canadian Metres for Millions Walk on MAY 10th.

Collaborations Approved

The Government approved 239 foreign collaboration proposals during 1974, the Rajya Sabha, upper house, was informed.

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Panchal Mansaram, a noted Burlington artist has won an award at the Color and Form Society's annual show held in Toront.

The Color and Form Society is made up of visual artists, painters, sculptors, and printmakers.

The Color and Form Society, founded in 1952, brought together artists who were newcomers to Canada who possessed a diverse and extensive background, drawing on the creative traditions of many nations. The annual shows at Hart House were the highlight of the society's activities. Today this art society continues to bring together outstanding talent, and as Canada absorbs the influex of the new talent so it receives the cultural benefits.

The Colour and Form Society is not hampered by over-structured protocol. It is unrestricted in its scope and without prejudice. It may be said that the society reflects the essence of an emerging multiculturalism, nationalism, and internationalism all roled into one.

The basic requirement to be a member is active participation as a visual artist.

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cultural identity or embrace the cultural values of the host society lock, stock and barrel. If they are forced to do the latter by circumstances, I believe Canadian Society will be the loser. In our multicultural society there should be room for all cultures. In fact under the policy of multiculturalism what was still the other day Indian culture is now part and parcel of Canadian culture.

The Indo-Canadians face the problem of a poor image in Canada. The media often has a tendency to highlight the negative aspects of their life here - e.g. to quote the instance of the recent troubles in the Sikh temple in Toronto - and ignore the positive and creditable contributions being made by them. Often for the media, good news is no news, bad news is big news. The lack of unity, petty jealousies among immigrants etc., do not help in building a better image either.

In general, it appears that Indians are accepted by the host society in Canada. According to a survey conducted in 1970 by York University, and reported in one of the papers accompanying the Green Paper, only 10 per cent Torontonians would not accept an Indian as a relative or neighbour. By comparison in U.K., 63 per cent would not accept an Indian.

However, there are situations in which people of Asian origin as well as Blacks, face prejudice and discrimination. A quarter of Asians and over a third of Blacks in Toronto reported facing such situations in the above survey. It may also be stated that one out of 10 Whites also reported feeling discrimination.

Prejudice and discrimination are rooted in ignorance. Nothing is more terrible than to see ignorance in action. The iceberg of prejudice is being spotted afloat nowadays in our society. However, I hope the sunshine of knowledge will eventually melt away this iceberg. As enlightened members of our society, I believe we have a role to play in letting in more sunshine on the iceberg of ignorance.

The area in which integration will come last is the poltical one, though this is the most important. Once economic and social intergration is achieved political integration is less difficult, but by no means automatic. Political intergration commences with the formulation of political opinions and culminates with full participation in the political process - standing for elections and so on. This may take more time since political success has often to be preceded by economic success.

Demonstration

Calcutta, March 14 (UNI): Members and supporters of the Chhatra Parishad and the Youth Congress staged a demonstration and burnt the effigy of President Gerald Ford in front of the United States Information Service office here in protest against the lifting of U.S. Arms embargo on Pakistan.

Sheikh Hopes Kashmir Will Bridge India And Pak

Jamma, March 14 (UNI): The Kashmir Chief Minister, Sheikh Mohammad Abdullah envisaged the possibility of Kashmir, which had temporarily divided India and Pakistan, providing a bridge between the two countries.

In a broadcast over Radio Kashmir, the Sheikh said that the accord betweeen him and the Government of India was a first step in this direction. He expressed the hope that all right thinking people in Pakistan would see it as such.

"Multiculturalism is a permanent government policy"

John Munro

As Minister responsible for Multiculturalism the Honourable John Munro gives direction to the overall impact of multiculturalism in all departments of the Government of Canada. He is specifically responsible for the Multicultural Program in the Department of the Secretary of State.

In the Department of the Secretary of State

The Multicultural Program is designed to assist and promote cultural development of all Canadian groups wishing to preserve and contribute their heritage to Canada. Implementation of the following activities helps to achieve this goal:

Project Grants Program

Makes funds available to voluntary groups in support of multicultural activities.

Multicultural Centres Program

Provides grants to voluntary groups to organize multicultural centres in local communities.

Canadian Identities Program

Strives to strengthen the cultural identity of minority groups and promote an understanding and awareness of Canada's cultural diversity.

Canadian Ethnic Studies Advisory Committee

Formed to advise on the development of research on ethnic studies in Canada and administer a program of visiting professors of ethnic studies at Canadian universities.

Third Language Teaching Aids

Makes funds available for the development and production of teaching materials for language classes.

Immigrant Integration Program

Assists various groups in helping immigrants to participate fully in Canadian society.

Ethnic Groups Liaison

This program makes available professional resources at the national and local levels to assist groups in organization and communication.

In the National Film Board

The National Film Board has produced over 400 of its films in 19 different languages. These may be obtained free of charge from National Film Board offices in the following cities: Vancouver, Winnipeg, Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and Halifax.

In the National Museum of Man

The National Museum of Man in Ottawa documents the history of all Canadian ethno-cultural traditions. The Museum has accumulated a vast number of artifacts, tape recordings, video tapes and films. Special attention is being placed on such elements as folk architecture, home furnishings, pre-industrial techniques of food production and handicrafts, traditional story-telling, family and community life, feasts and rites. Cultural exhibits and travelling displays are also being prepared.

In the Public Archives

The National Ethnic Archives program is designed to find and protect ethno-cultural records from loss, damage or deterioration. A staff of area specialists has begun collating records of this rich and important aspect of our heritage through contacts with ethno-cultural organizations, associations and individuals.

In the National Library

The National Library has undertaken the organization of a Multilingual Biblio-service. Its aim is to acquire books in non-official languages spoken in Canada and make them available through public libraries. It is hoped that the blocks of books, in ten languages, will be ready for mailing at the beginning of 1975, five new languages being added annually.

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Impressions Of A Japanese Bishop In India

By Bishop Kenryu Tsuji

After two weeks in India, I am gradually getting used to the life here. I am eating hot Indian curry which is delicious, but it has to be interspersed with western, Japanese and Chinese dishes. In Kathmandu, I unexpectedly had a delicious Japanese dinner of sunomono, nizakana, tempura and misoshiru and even tsukemono. Chinese restaurants are fairly good and can be found quite easily, but they are far from the San Francisco variety.

One has to get used to the accomodations, too. We are backpacking and not taking first-class hotels all the time. Even at toprate hotels you cannot get ample hot watet. This government rest house where I am staying now is better than the best hotels in the smaller out-of-the-way places. Clean sheets and blankets are standard, and laundry and restaurant services are all available. It is better than hotels for security reasons because every window has iron bars and a big lock is supplied. If you put your own lock on the door, you have maximum security. Theft is something you really have to watch out for.

Once you step outside any hotel it is a hassle. The hawkers, the pedicab and taxicab drivers constantly hound you. One sad note for India is that these are the first persons you meet and if you are not a seasoned traveller in India and don't know how to bargain, you are literally taken for a ride.

So much for the mundane things.

After our visit to Lumbini, Reverend Sawada and I caught up with the Kinnara group at Rajagriha. Rajagriha was the site of king Bimbarsara's capital during the time of the Buddha. It is in ruins today. The place is completely surrounded by green hills and is a picturesque valley.

I walked up to the Gijjakuta mountain or "Vulture's Peak" where the Buddha delivered a number of important sermons. It is almost a mile's climb along the stone path first cleared by King Bimbasara. At the summit is the ruins of a small vihara where Buddha lived. Nearby is a mound with a flat surface from which the Buddha preached to his disciples who came to hear his golden words.

Surrounding the hills is a number of natural caves that housed disciples like Ananda, twenty-five hundred years ago. From the summit, you can look down on the cool green forests that sheltered the other disciples and the water hole. It was explained to us that all beings — birds, animals and the Buddha's disciples — all shared the same source of water in complete concord.

I went to the jail where King Ajatasatu confined his mother and father. It was a moving experience for me to stand at the very site of the tragedy of Oshajo, as it is known in Japanese.

When King Ajatasatru was told by Devadatta, the Buddha's foe, that his parents were trying to murder him, Ajatasatru believed him and threw his father in jail. He intended to starve his father to death, but Queen Vaidehi visited her husband, the King, every day and offered him food which she had concealed in her clothing. When her son discovered that his mother was smuggling food into jail, he also threw his mother into a cell. From the small window in the jail, they looked towards Gijjakuta mountain and saw the outline of the Buddha. It is said that the Buddha understood their innermost thoughts and came straightaway to their cells to comfort them. here unfolded one of the most important sutras in Jodo Shinshu — the Kan Muryoju Kyo or the Meditation Sutra. When King Bimbasara and Queen Vaidehi learned that the eternal Buddha was not far away, but with them always, they found deliverance in the Nembutsu.

I walked around in the jail-compound looking at the ruins of the massive stone walls and gazing up at the Vulture's peak. On leaving the jail, I picked up a stone pebble from the walls as a momento of my visit to Rajagriha.

Buddhagaya is about 60 miles away from Rajagriha. It is the site of Buddha's Englightenment and is the great centre of buddhist Pilgrimage. Pilgrims from Tibet, Bhutan, Sri Lanka, Japan, U.S. and European countries throng to this unique place.

The Buddhagaya Temple forms an imposing tower rising a couple hundred feet from the ground and can be seen from miles around. Right by this temple is the famous spot where the Buddha attained enlightenment and is knownis the throne of enlightenment.

According to the Mahayana traditions uniquye religious experience took place on the 8th of December. After giving up his ascetic practices in the forests, the young Gautama accepted a warm bowl of milk from Sujata, a village maiden, and crossed the neranjara River (which is now dry) and meditated under the Bodhi Tree. The sapling from the original peepul tree was taken to Ceylon and when the original died, a sapling from Ceylon was returned to its original position, where it has been thriving for nearly two thousand years.

On the evening of December 7, the members of our pilgrimage assembled before the Bodhi Tree and chanted the twenty-five hundred year-old Vandana Ti-Sarana and selections from the Japanese sutras Dai Muryoju Kyo, Kan Muryo Ju yo, Amida Kyo and the Junirai. As I read on the name of each BCA Church and Fellowship, one of the members offered a senko (incense stick) which I brought along from San Francisco. At the end, I offered incense on behalf of the BCA Headquarters. The air was chilly and the stone slabs upon which we sat were hard and cold, but it was an unforgettable experience for all of us.

Next morning, we were up at five. About six o'clock, the eastern sky began to lighten and in a few minutes, the whole sky was bathed in an organ glow. Then, just for a moment the sky turned bright red, as the tower and the bodhi tree formed a dark sillouhette. It was the most beautiful dawn my eyes have ever seen.

(The New Canadian)

Australian Gift

New Delhi, March 14 (UNI): The Australian Foreign Minister, Don Willesee, who was on a visit to India, has presented a cheque for Rs. 1,58,000 ($ 21066.67) to the Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister, Y. S. Parmar for the Earthquake Relief Fund.

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Vancouver Immigrants Not Concerned About Racial Tension

As the Green Paper on immigration concluded, immigrants to Vancouver are basically a happy lot.

They are not, however, overly concerned by the racial and social tension here that the Green Paper suggested would play a major role in the formation of a new immigration policy.

In interviews spokesmen for major vancouver ethnic communities said Vancouver's mild weather makes the city a particularly pleasant spot for a newcomer to settle down and begin a new life in Canada.

And while there are occasional incidents of racial conflict, the spokesmen said these are viewed as isolated events and are nothing to worry about.

The comments came after the federal government released its Green Paper, launching what is expected to be a year-long debate on immigration policies.

The study said Vancouver, Toronto and Montreal are faced with overcrowding and the accompanying social and racial tensions because half of all immigrants flock to these cities.

"The climate is the main thing," said Malkit Singh Parhar, an executive of the East Indian Canadian Citizen's Welfare Association in Vancouver.

"Also, wages are better than in the other provinces. And there are more relatives and friends here for Indians than other places.

"We don't have to worry about racial tension. People may be on Indians now, but they may be on Chinese or Jews later. These things go up and down."

Andy Joe, vice-chairman of the Chinese Cultural Centre, said almost all Chinese immigrants he knows are "basically happy."

"Canada was the country of their choice and Canada has provided them with a higher standard of living, which is why most of them left home," he said.

Italians happy

Joe said racial conflict is not serious and appears to be fostered by "hooligans who would be against any kind of people."

Giacomo Borrino, editor of L'Ecco d'Italia, said he believes most Italian immigrants to Vancouver are happy and well-settled.

Mayor Art Phillips, an outspoken critic of present immigration policy said he welcomed the statement by Manpower and Immigration Minister Robert Andras.

"I am very pleased the minister has been listening to comments like my own that the quality of life in our cities is being affected," he said.

Phillips has maintained in the past that Vancouver is attracting such a large proportion of Canada's immigrants that it is causing disruptions in housing, employment and planning.

Phillips said he would not be prepared immediately to choose between any of the four options proposed by Andras, except to say that the idea of retaining the present policy should be rejected from the start.

He said a combination of the various options might provide another option.

Ceilings favoured

Housing Minister Lorne Nicolson said in Victoria he opposed the idea of gearing immigration to economic and employment factors, but favored the suggestion that annual ceilings be established.

"I would like to see some definite number set," he said. "The number of people who come in should not be used as a tool to cope with fluctuations in the economy."

Allan Kelly, chairman of the Greater Vancouver Regional District, said the Vancouver area was suffering from "indigestion" caused by too many migrants. Immigration should be cut sharply, he said.

He said he would favor a total ban on all immigrants for a period of years "except for a small number of specialists who have to be brought in."

He agreed with the Green Paper that problems are caused by immigrants heading toward the urban areas of the country.

"Immigration will not be to fill the empty spaces but to fill up our cities," he said.

Family wanted

East Indian spokesman Parhar, said that removal of the nominated relative category of immigration would disrupt families.

"An immigrant wants his family with him in a new country. If you have a quota system, how are you going to divide the number of openings up fairly? I don't think that even an annual ceiling would work fairly for any technic group," he said.

Chinese community spokesman Joe said his organization had found the existing immigration law had worked fairly.

"If any other proposal was passed, it would more or less destroy the agreement made between Prime Minister Trudeau and Chou En-lai in Peking," Joe said.

"I don't see how a quota system or annual ceiling could work without being discriminatory," Joe said.

He also said the Chinese community would probably oppose any removal of the nominated category of relatives unless the community could be assured the policy had universal application.

[The Vancouver Sun]

Collective Action Urged

New Delhi, ar 13 (UNI): India and Yugoslavia stressed the need for collective efforts by the non-aligned countires to find a solution to the current internatinal political and economic problems.

At a dinner held in honour of the Yugoslav Vice-President, Vidoje Zarkovic, India's Vice-President, B. D. Jatti said by standing together, by understanding each other's problems and difficulties and by developing collective self-rfeliance, non-aligned countries could strengthen their solidarity and effectively contribute to the ushering in of a new international economic and social order based on equity, equality and justice.

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Government of Ontario
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Manram Holds Thyagaraja Festival In Toronto

BHARATHI KALA MANRAM, in Toronto are well known for the superb cultural functions they arrange from time to time. On March 1, 1975, they added another dimension to their popularity by organizing the Thyagaraja Festival of South Indian Music in a very fine manner. It was organized by Bharti Kala Manram, in association with York University to commemerate the compositions of the great South Indian Saint-Musician THYAGARAJA. Every one among the more than 400 people of all background were impressed by the dedication of the participants - whether it be professional musicians like Prof Jon Higgins or be a first year student of Carnatic Music or the talented Indian Housewife who normally does not get on the stage.

Festival started on time with 'Puja' to Lord Sri Rama and Thyagaraja by Shivram Trichur and Bhajan by a small group of devotees. Then the main item of Thyagaraja Festival took place. It is the singing of 'PANCHA RATNA KRITIS' - the five jewels - the five most beautiful compositions of Thayagaraja by large group of very talented artistes. Prof. T. N. Krishnan (Violin) and Trichy Sankaran (Mridangam) accompanied the group. The audience was kept spellbound by the richness of the music and the harmoni-ous way the group sang them. Around 10.30 am. at the end of this group singing, a light breakfast with Idli-famous South Indian dish - and coffee was provided.

Then, talented musicians took to singing of Thyagaraja's compositions individually. Over thirty people including the students of York University sang these songs. The students, all of them though non-Indian in origin, could have passed as Indian Musicians by their devotion and sincerity and the audience showed their appreciation by giving them a good applause. Prof. Jon Higgins and York University can be proud of their students. Particular mention should be made of a student of Sri Trichy Sankaran, Miss Mikky Henry, amazed the audience by handling the Indian Drum-'Mridangam' very ably in accompanying one group of students. Miss Nikky Henry did very well indeed.

The following were the artistes who participated in the individual performances: Prof. TN Krishnan, Mrs. Indhu Rajagopal (Veena), Mr. Srikanth, Dr. Usha Venugopal, Mrs. Laxmi-Renganathan (Veena), Prof Jon Higgins, Miss Manju Monga (Veena), Miss Lyn Duggan (Veena), Mrs. Anuradha-Subramaniam, Mrs. Shobana Srikanth, Mrs. Kannamma-Sharma (Veena), Mrs. Bhooma Krishnan, Mrs. Vasundara-Rajagopal and Mrs. Prabha Gopal.

Mrs. Prema Thiramalai, Dr. Subramaniam, Mrs. Vasantha Narasimhan (Veena), Mrs. Kamala Kumar,

Miss Manju Monga and Miss Lyn Duggan were the students of Mrs. Renganathan in Kingston and Miss Duggan has been awarded a scholarship in Indian Music, to go to India.

In the evening, Prof. T. N. Krishnan gave a scintillating performance on Violin, accompanied by Kumari Viji Krishnan, his daughter, and Trichy-Sankaran on Mridangam. The concert was well attended and was excellent in quality. Kumari Viji shined with her 'Swara' playing in Hamsadhwani standing upto the greatness of her father. The songs in 'BHAIRAVI' and 'THODI' were especially good. His playing of 'NOTE', arrangement of Carnatic Music notes in Western style, brought nostalgic memories of late-Madurai Mani Iyer, the great vocalist of South India, whom Sri Krishnan had accompanied on violin many times. His own composition 'THILIANA' was a fitting climax to the concert.

The whole Festival including concert, breakfast and lunch was free of admission charges. The Department of Multiculturalism is expected help with a grant to cover this festival and two more events planned by Bharathi Kala Manram in the very near future.

Group Singing of Pancharatna Kritis. Prof. T. N. Krishnan & Viji Krishnan on violin. Prof. Jon Higgins with Thambur. Trichy Sankaran on Mridangam, Kannamma Sharma on Veena.

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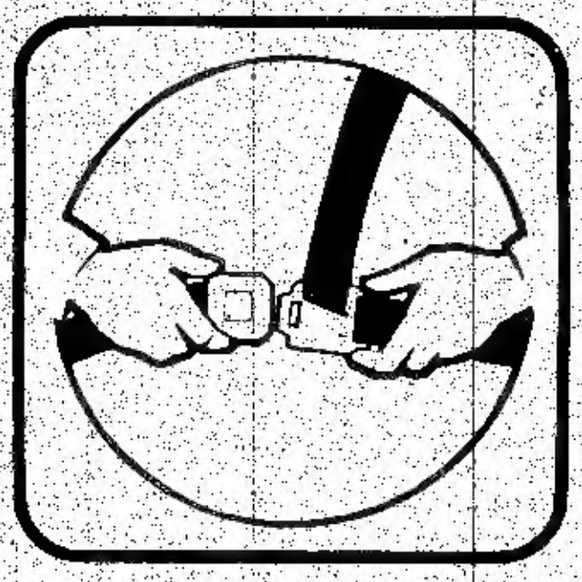

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Changing The Image Of India

By ALIXE CARTER
Ottawa, March 8

India is not just a land of snake charmers and swollen-bellied children any more than Canada is one of Indians, Eskimos and red-coated Mounties says Journalist Amita Malik.

She is spending six months travelling around the world, to prepare a book about India's image abroad.

She was in Ottawa for a few days, busy with interviews and a round of social engagements renewing friendships she made 12 years ago when she was a guest of the Canadian Women's Press Club (now Media Club of Canada). At that time she spent more than a year visiting Canada from coast to coast as well as the Arctic.

The University of Calcutta graduate has been a journalist for 20 years. She's a political television personality and interviewer, an authority on film and a TV and radio columnist for The Times of India.

"All during my travels I send home a column" she said during a reunion interview.

She said the horror of image of India started in 1960s and she blames it on the fact the media does not employ qualified "stringers" in India.

She says conversely there is not enough about the changes and conditions in Canada known in India.

Asked to list the accomplishments of Modern India she said nuclear energy used for food and medicine, agricultural research resulting in a higher crop yield, nutritional research resulting in changing food habits, maize flour that is as good as graham flour, and a vitaminized product that looks and tastes like rice.

Mrs. Malik also judges India's prosperity by the transistor radios everyone owns.

"The rich are less rich, the maharajahs have been cut down to size and now pay taxes like everyone else. Some have adjusted well and have become prominent in government, business and diplomacy."

The expectancy of life is now age 50 and thanks to UNICEF, among other agencies, the children are getting milk at school.

Culturally there is a fine new breed of TV people and film makers. A TV satellite for education purposes will begin shortly.

India is manufacturing machinery and selling it to countries like Germany; social caste barely exists but it does rear up in political voting trends; more middle class women are working than ever before and the servant class is on the wane as it is everywhere.

"Only those parasites, the wives of rich men, sit around all day playing Mah Jong. Young university girls are wearing pant suits and you rarely see a sari in London, England."

Mrs. Malik hardly recognizes Canadian skylines.

She finds Canadian women defensive if less conservative about their roles. "They talk too much and still feel men must be conquered. I agree with writer Betty Friedan who says let's get on with the job and new opportunities women have."

While India still has arranged marriages there are more inter-caste marriages.

[The Ottawa Journal]

Senate Speaker Renaude Lapointe tries a 'Namaste' during a luncheon reception for Amita Malik a visiting Journalist from India. Aleyamma Samuel, publisher of India Times, is seen in the middle.

Indians In U.N.

There are 52 Indians employed in professional and higher category posts in the United Nations Secretariat.

Giving this information in the Rajya Sabha, upper house, Bipin Pal Das said according to figures for 1973, there were 270 Indians in professional and higher category posts in other bodies affiliated to U.N. all over the world.

There are four Indians in the Commonwealth Secretariat.

Guyana Organisation Supports Hindi

The Mahatma Gandhi Organization of Guyana has come out in full support of the call by the World Hindi Convention that Hindi be accepted as one of the official languages of the United Nations and its allied agencies.

MGO General Secretary Dr. Balwant Singh said that a resolution to this effect was passed unanimously at the Convention which has just ended in Nagpur, India.

Among the delegates who strongly backed the proposal were those representing Western Europe and the Soviet Union. The Prime Minister of Manuritius, Sewoosagar Ramgoolam who also attended the Convention made a strong plea in favour of the proposal.

Dr. Singh has asked that the Minister of Education, Miss Cecilline Baird give consideration to Guyana also supporting the reslution.

Singh Deo Dies

Bombay, March 7 (UNI): The former Orissa Chief Minister, R.N. Singh Deo (62) died of lung cancer at the Tata Memorial Hospital here.

He was presently Deputy Leader of the Opposition in Orissa.

Singh Deo, who was the ruler of the erstwhile Patna state, is survived by his wife, two sons and four daughters.

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Doing Business In Ontario

By J. CHAUHAN

Are you considering buying a business or starting your own business? This article is about some of the common problems that you will be considering in your venture.

Business Ability

Before starting your own venture it is important to review in your own mind or with someone knowledgeable in business matters, your ability to do business on your own. This is the single most important factor that will determine the success or failure of your venture. Yet this is usually the least considered factor before most people start their businesses. It is not surprising that a very large proportion of the new businesses started do not last longer than two or three years.

Doing your own business requires a number of abilities, including basic knowledge of bookkeeping or accounting, knowing how to handle people, especially in a service industry. Psychological aptitude for taking some degree of risk. Knowledge of the market and the general ability to understand the economic trends and the relevant place of your trade in that economic situation.

What business to buy?

The most logical choice of a business is a business which you know or had some experience of. If doing exactly the same business is difficult or impossible, a choice of a related business is disirable. Sometimes the lack of knowledge or experience can be overcome by employing technical person who can do the relevant technical jobs. If you are negotiating the purchase of an existing business, the willingness of the existing staff to continue working with you will often be the most important question to be reviewed before purchasing the business.

Buying the business

The actual process of buying the business is a technical job and should be done by a competent lawyer. A handshake deal can prove disastrous.

With increasing complexity of tax laws and rapidity of change in corporate laws it is important to seek legal advice from a lawyer familiar with such laws. A commonly made mistake is shopping for the lowest price for the completion of the legal transaction. It does not help the businessman in the long run saving on legal fees if he is going to end up paying a larger amount to the tax department because of lack of competent advice on tax matters. Furthet, many problems in the business area require drafting legal documents and a skilled lawyer can conceive more situations which can ultimately be difficult problems and could end up in court. An experienced draftsman prepares documents in such a way that the problem does not end up in court causing considerable expense to the litigant.

The first question your lawyer will review with you on a purchase of business is whether the business is going to be bought under the Bulk Sales Act by purchase of assets or through purchase of shares if a corporation is involved.There are many considerations to be taken into account in this decision, but breifly in an asset purchase the liabilities of the vendor are avoided provided that there is compliance with the fotmalities of Bulk Sales Act. In the purchase of shares one is purchasing control of the company through the purchase of voting common shares and the ownership of the assets is acquired indirectly through the ownership of the company. There are many tax considerations to be taken into account but broadly speaking in the asset purchase the purchaser becomes liable for 7 per cent of the Retail Sales Tax on the chattels and in a share purchase the vendor becomes liable for capital gains tax.

After deciding which way the business is going to be purchased the offer or agreement to purchase will be prepared accordingly by the solicitor. The solicitors for the vendor and the purchaser have to complete a number of legal formalities of which the most important is the making of searches under various statutes to determine if the assets of the vendor are free and clear of any liens. A closing date is set in the agreement and on such closing date the two solicitors exchange various documents to complete the transaction.

Sometimes in smaller businesses purchased through business brokers the offer to purchase may be prepared by the broker. It is very advisable in such cases to have your lawyer review the offer before it is signed. Business offers are very different from offers to purchase homes and it is not possible to standardize the form to suit every business.

Where to look for business?

Business sales are not usually advertized like sales of residential homes because it may affect the customers, or the value of the business itself would be affected if the intention to sell becomes common knowledge.

Smaller businesses such as variety stors etc. are advertized in newspapers. They vary in price from $15,000 to $50,000.

Accountants and lawyers are often a good source of contact. They are aware of their client's situation. If a client requires equity capital and another has a partnership in mind a contact can be established.

Most chartered banks have marketing departments. Ask your local bank manager to arrange a meeting with their marketing department. The banks however will not be interested unless the capital involved is likely to exceed half a million dollars or more.

Sometimes a contact could be established through your local bank manager who is familiar with his customer's business.

Most real estate brokers are also business brokers and they are licenced to sell businesses, but very few of such brokers specialize in business sales. Large broker firms have special departments for business sales but the emphasis is usually on the sale of the real estate part of the business.

There are also many private consulting firms which specialize in advising the purchasers in evaluation of the business to be purchased. They could be a useful source of information.

Should you form a company?

When doing any business it is very desirable to operate the business through a company for several reasons. The most important reason is that formation of a corporation limits your personal liability and in the event of a judgement your personal assets including your home is not subject to execution unless you personally guaranteed the loan. There are many tax advantages to forming a company and the most common example is a situation where the wife acts as a director and employee with the husband and can draw a salary. The total salary taken from the company by the and the wife reduces the tax bracket and the total tax paid.

In negotiating the purchase or start of a business a corporation gives you some advantage. If the deal goes sour action would not be brought personally against you. Further, people in the industry are used to dealing with companies and often treat you with respect if you represent a company.

Licences

Some businesses require licences to operate. The kind of licence required depends on the nature of the business. For example, to run an auto body shop or a gas station or a garage you must obtain licence from the local borough or the municipality. Certain types of trades require licences, e.g. a mechanic requires a licence to be a mechanic. To run a restaurant with licquor requires a licence from Licquor Licence Board of Ontario. If you are going to sell goods on retail you must obtain a Vendor's permit. If you are operating a transportation company you must obtain a licence from the Transport Board.

Where you are using a name other than your own you should file a declaration of business. This is not a licence but if you fail to make the declaration your right to sue in court would be jeopardized.

Staff problems

Even if you are good at dealing with humanbeings there will always be some staff problems. It requires understanding and patience to deal with human situations.

You should have the ability to delegate work to subordinates and recognize the different talents of your employees.

Loans

Apart from the capital that you provide yourself there are many other sources of capital.

The charteted banks are a good source of operating capital and if enough security is provided even for purchase of machinery or capital assets. Canadian banks are not very aggressive in lending for venture capital. Banks have fixed rules with which they decide on granting loan and the rules between the banks vary. It pays to shop around. Even under the same bank name there is considerable variation between the caliber of the manager. Managers have larger discretionary limits on the amounts they can authorize for lending. Personal contact with the manger is a great asset in such a decision.

There are also governmental agencies such as Ontario Development Corporation and Canadian Development Corporation, but before any loan or grant is obtained from them you must comply with a lot of rules. The rules are generally designed to encourage employment opportunities in the economically depressed areas or to help exports or training of employees.

Industrial Development Bank is an independent corporation which operates under the supervision of the government. Their approach is bureaucratic and are in theory lender of last resort. i.e. loan is provided if you cannot find a loan from the chartered banks. In practice it is not difficult to convince the IDB that funds cannot be obtained from ordinary sources. However, the rate of interest offered is not usually different from other banks.

Financing is also possible through leasing arrangements. This is done by the financing organization purchasing the equipment that you need and then a lease is entered into between you and the financing company. It avoids an outlay of capital sum.

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— THE CANADIAN INDIA TIMES —

Canada Council Grants Available

by Val Oliva

(Canada Scene) — The Canada Council is trying to make people aware of the grants available through its explorations program. Eligible applicants must be Canadian citizens or landed immigrants who have lived in Canada for at least three years and the grants cover a wide variety of projects: explorations of various forms of expressions, communication and participation in the arts, humanities and social sciences; interdisciplinary research and experiments in both art and science; experiments in and studies of popular culture; research in any medium into the historical and cultural heritage of Canada.

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How Parents 'Saved' Daughter From Hare Krishna

By CHRISTIE BLATCHFORD

It took $2,000 and five weeks off work, but Murray Epstein has his daughter home with him again.

Linda Epstein is 19, beautiful, big-eyed like a doe. She is prohibited from going out of the house alone, she may talk only with people Mr. Epstein knows or has checked. She is allowed to take phone calls, but only those her father has screened. Mr. Epstein says she is sleeping a lot now, and when she sleeps, of course, her round-faced bodyguard, Shelly, is with her.

The biggest forbidden fruit is going downtown. One of the Epsteins' other daughters, 16-year old Sharon, is being discouraged from going there as well. Mr. Epstein says that later — in two or three or four months, as long as it takes — maybe Linda will be able to go. By herself.

But right now, the Epsteins and their friends say, Linda is enjoying her new-found freedom.

Linda Epstein, former Thornlea Secondary School student, cannot go downtown because the Toronto-area Hare Krishna temple is downtown. It's that simple. Until three weeks ago, and for two years before that, Linda was a devotee of the Hare Krishna movement.

Cherished items

Every day for those two years, Linda cherished certain things. The beads she fingered as she chanted for two hours every morning. The saris she wore. Most of all, she loved the books, the magazines and glossy hard-backs the Hare Krishna devotees sell on the streets.

On Friday, Feb. 7, and for the next few days, Linda saw her beads ripped apart and thrown in a garbage can. Her saris were taken from her and thrown away. And her books, the books that made her the best distributor in the Toronto temple, were torn up in front of her. It—and the deliberate blaspheming of her god, a Hindu deity — was part of deprogramming, a process begun by a U.S. man named Ted Patrick that has become popular with distraught parents.

Parents explain

Yesterday afternoon, Linda's parents and Linda held a press conference about her years as a devotee, about her programming and deprogramming. Mr. Epstein wants other parents who have lost their children, to realize they can do something about it.

Murray Epstein and his wife Eva were distraught parents.

With about three months left to finish Grade 12, Linda Epstein moved out of her parents' home and into the Hare Krishna temple at 187 Gerrard St. E. Her parents saw her infrequently from that time on, sometimes visiting her at the temple, sometimes at home, where she returned when she wanted money. The Epsteins were worried and upset, they say, but under the impression that Linda was a devotee because she wanted to be one.

About 1½ months ago, Murray's sister saw Ted Patrick, the deprogrammer, on television.

She was impressed with his theory that devotees are hypnotized, pyschologically manipulated into leaving home and their families. She told her father about Ted Patrick.

Mr. Epstein was convinced by Mr. Patrick that Linda was not living at the temple of her own free will. He spoke of his own son, whom he said he had deprogrammed. That's when Mr. Epstein hired Mr. Patrick, for $2,000, his normal fee, though Mr. Epstein says Mr. patrick will work free if parents have no money — and when the two men devised the plot to get Linda back.

The getting-her-back started that Friday.

Linda had arranged to meet her father; she needed $400 more to pay for her planned trip to India in March. Her father told her he would drive her to his bank and give her the money.

Instead, Linda was driven to a motel in Richmond Hill. She was tricked into going into the room and the deprogramming began.

"My father isn't yanking me or touching me or anything, he just takes me by the shoulder and we go in the room. There's nothing there, just the two beds. I said, 'Daddy, when are we going to go to the bank?' I was getting scared.

"They closed the door and leaned against it. I started to panic. I mean there are these two guys in there (two men who help Mr. Patrick in deprogramming) and I think maybe they're going to rape me.

"I'm not usually alone with men, not at the temple. I'm really scared. They forcibly put me on the bed and I start to chant real hard.

Starts chanting

"I think 'Hey, they're going to depgrogram me,' I'd heard of it, or they're going to rape me. I think maybe my father's going to rape me and he's arranged this. I start chanting real loud, I'm real, real scared.

"They tell me the doctor is coming. I figure I'll go through with it, pretend I'm deprogrammed. I want to get back to the temple. I want to sell the books real bad. And then Ted Patrick came in. He's a black man, with an accent or a speech defect or something, and he has a big bag. I think it's a doctor's bag.

"And he sits down on the bed, opposite me, looking at me. And he says, I can't say it right because I can't do the accent, but he says 'You're gonna see my black face for four months'. He shoots down Krishna, the temple.

'Was I scared'

"He calls him that dirty bastard. He gives me Bible quotes. I'm real scared, chanting in my head, not out loud. That night I hardly sleep. When I go to the bathroom, my mother or Shelley Turner (the young girl who is Linda's bodyguard) come with me. I try to think of escaping but I can't.

"On Saturday we get up about 8 o'clock, and we eat. I don't eat very much though. I'm not hungry. I take a shower and my mother is there with me, so I can't go to the airport."

Linda Epstein spent the next three weeks in Kentville, N.S., at the home of Alan North, a 19-year-old who was also deprogrammed took her to shows and bars.

On Feb. 10, she signed a notarized statement that had been prepared for her. Copies of it were sent to the Federal Bureau of Investigation in the United States and to the Attorney-General's Department in Ottawa. It speaks of horrors in the Hare Krishna movement, of being psychologically kidnapped by the group, of being willing to kill her parents if she had been told to, of mind control, of earning as much as $200 a day by selling and begging, of living under fear.

In concludes:

"I once again feel like a useful member of society. If, in any event, the Hare Krishna movement or any other sect or cult psychologically or physically kidnaps me back, I am requesting immediate action by the authorities; to come and physically remove me from this, because, in such case, regardless of what I may say or do at the time, I will not be acting under my free will."

The statement, Murray Epstein says, is very important because it shows Linda realized, at the time she signed it, how she had been manipulated. He says it also gives legal authorities the power to return her home should she drift back into chanting and escape back to the temple.

Mr. Epstein says Linda still drifts, that sometimes they can hear her chanting in the shower. When that happens, Shelley or Mr. and Mrs. Epstein tell her she is doing it. Shelley, deprogrammed about five months ago, says Linda's eyes go funny when she drifts back.

Shelley says it will take a few months before it is gone, before Linda can be left completely on her own. It depends, she says, on the person. Linda says it is hard to stop chanting, to stop doing something she has done every day for so long.

She also finds it hard to eat meat, and so far has managed only beef broth. But then, she says, she was a vegetarian before she joined Krishna. Shelley, though, says Linda was told at the temple that meat was for dogs, and that's why she can't eat it.

Members of the Hare Krishna sect renounce the material world in the hope of finding spiritual redemption in death. They believe purity of mind and body is the path to spiritual awakening.

Sex is illicit unless performed by married couples at the correct time of month for procreation. Consumption of meat, fish and eggs is forbidden, as are gambling and mental speculation. Hare Krishna members are not permitted the privilege of opinions.—The Globe & Mail).

Toronto Field Hockey

N.S. Dhillon is coaching the National Squad Players preparing for 1975 International Field Hockey Tournament at Montreal and for 1976 Olympics. This coaching takes place every Tuesday 7 to 9 p.m. at St. Theressa School, 10th Street, new Toronto.

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If you are interested, get in touch with N.S. Dhillon (Coach): 251-0621 or G.L. Chopra (President, Ontario Field Hockey Association): 928-4463 or Indian Immigrant Aid Services:651-1400.

China Ready

Calcutta, March 14(UNI): China's Vice-Premier, Chen Hsi-Lien said that his Government "is ready for talks"—if desired by the Government of India--for normalisation of relations between the two countries.

Human Rights Commissioners Appointed

TORONTO — Two new commissioners have been appointed to the Ontario Human Rights Commission, Premier William Davis announced. Also announced was the re-appointment of three other commissioners, bringing the enlarged commission, including Chairman Dr. Thomas Symons, to six members.

The new members are the Very Rev. Dr. N. Bruce McLeod, former Moderator of the United Church of Canada, and Bromley Armstrong, long-time active member of the Black community organizations.

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FROM PARLIAMENT

New Delhi, Mar 10(UNI): The Government of India has deputed an officer of the Central Bureau of investigation to assist the Sikkim police to investigate a plot to kill the Chief Minister of Sikkim, Kazi Lhendup Dorji, the Rajya Sabha, upper house of Parliament, has been informed.

Orders have been issued for the impounding of the official passports of non-diplomatic personnel in Indian missions abroad who had neither tendered their resignations nor returned home on expiry of their tenures, the Deputy External Affairs Minister, Mr. Bipin Pal Das said. The six officials involved had been directed to return to India or face disciplinary proceedings.

The Government is preparing a model form of contract containing the terms and conditions of employment of Indian nationals serving with foreign missions in India, the Minister told the house. The model contract would be circulated among all foreign missions in India as soon as it was finalised.

Hindi is being taught in 38 foreign countries and 94 universities, Mr. Bipinpal Das said in reply to a question. A scheme for the propagation of Hindi abroad was being implemented at a cost of Rs 2.5 million ($ 333,330).

India had deputed professors or lecturers to thirteen foreign countries for teaching Hindi and other Indian languages. A total of 93 universities in foreign countries had on their own made arrangements for teaching Hindi.

Iran has sought the services of about 100 Indian road construction engineers. A panel of experts was being prepared by the Government to enable the Iranian Government to make the selections.

M.P. Wants Bains Deported

Ottawa, March 10. Surrey White rock MP(PC) Benno Friesen urged immigration minister Robert Andras today to consider the deportation of Hardial Bains, who according to reports is organising a vigilante group in B.C. The group claimed to have 800 members to retalliate with violence against white racists. However, representatives of a few Indian organisations made it clear that they believe non-violence is the only solution to the problem and denounced the vigilante group.

Mr. Friesen told Mr. Andras that the Chairman of the Communist Party of Canada has "advocated the forcefull overthrow of the Canadian government and is now organising a vigilante group in B.C." The MP asked the minister whether Mr. Bains qualifies for deportation under the Immigration Act.

Vancouver Mayor Blames Coloured Immigrants

winnipeg, Man.: Mayor Art Phillips of Vancouver in a speech here recently has said that an influx of coloured immigrants at a rate similar to that of recent years will lead to race conflict in Canada. He said the immigration of large number of people of any group from a totally different cultural background is too great for the community to absorb. He added that it is laudable to have a non-discriminatory immigration policy but it is a mistake if they lead to racial violence.

Poll Reforms To Be Discussed

New Delhi, March 11 (UNI): The Prime Minister, Mrs. Indira Gandhi expressed her readiness to have a dialogue with the Opposition parties on all major national issues and immediately to have a round-table conference on electoral reforms.

Replying to the week-long debate on the President's address in the Lok Sabha, lower house of Parliament, Mrs. Gandhi said she had never said she would not have a dialogue with the Opposition. She certainly did not stand on prestige and would appeal to the other parties to rise to the occasion.

Tension In B.C.

Racial tension is growing in British Columbia due to conflict between Indians and white residents. A 17 year-old white youth was beaten with sticks and baseball bats by six Indian men. One of the Indians said his family had been harassed by group of white youths for some time now. The white youths had shouted insults and have thrown stones etc. According to reports the police told the guardian of the beaten boy "to understand how they (Indians) feel. They have been harassed for a long time." But she says, "it wasn't my boy who did it".

No Disbanding Of Indo-U.S. Commissions

New Delhi, March 11 (UNI): The Government of India turned down a demand from the Opposition to disband the joint Indo-United States Economic Commission in view of the American decision to supply arms to Pakistan.

The External Affairs Minister, Y.B. Chavan said during question hour in the Rajya Sabha, upper house of Parliament, that the lifting of the embargo on arms supplies to Pakistan was a serious matter and the Government had taken the matter seriously. The situation has brought in a new sort of strain in Indo-U.S. relations.

Guru a Daddy

Malibu,calif. (March 14): Durga Ji, 25, the wife of Guru Maharaj Ji, gave birth to a daughter named Premlata. The guru, whose Divine light Mission claims eight million followers, married the former Marolyn Johnson of San Diego last May.

THEY WERE ELECTED

India Students Association, University of Calgary:

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Our Contribution

JIVANLAL SHAH, Aircraft Accident Investigation Division of the Ministry of Transport recently published three articles on "Failure Analyses of Aircraft Accidents" in Metals Engineering Quarterly of the American Society for Metals. He also presented the above articles at the fourth annual symposium, Aeronautical Society of India, Bombay, Delhi and Ahemadabad branches.

Indo-Lanka Pact

New Delhi, Mar 14 (UNI): An Indo-Sri Lanka agreement on cooperation in the fields of science and technology was signed here.

The agreement provides for exchange of scientific and technical delegations, exchange of scientists, research workers, specialists and lecturers, exchange of technical documentation and information, joint identification of scientific and technical problems and joint research programmes in industry, agriculture and public health.

Ottawa ICA Dinner

By Jaya Subramaniam

Amidst a lot of glitter, laughter and chatter the India Canada Association's (Ottawa) annual dinner took place on Saturday, March 15 at the Sampan Restaurant on Carling Ave. Attendance was full and the members seemed happy all this long evening through.

Nipa Banerjee, the ougoing president presided over the formalities. Lorry Greenberg, the mayor of Ottawa and Mrs. Greenberg were chief guests of the evening. In his short speech the mayor said that Canadians should educate themselves about the problems of the third world and any society stands to loose if there is no awareness of what is happening around.

A beautiful Indian batik was presented to the mayoral couple as a gift from the Indian community of Ottawa. This gesture of goodwill and friendship was appreciated by all.

Colourful chinese food followed. Well intentioned segregation of vegetarian outcasts did not seem to work and much confusion and embarassment prevailed at least at one table and it was difficult not to notice the casual manner of service.

After the tables were cleared the stage was set and melodius rag desh by Mrs. Indira Pal of Toronto delighted the audience that she continued to give a few more items and the audience participation was good.

The highlight of the evening was of course a short sitar recital by Dr. Bimal Lodh who played a 'gath' and 'alap' in rag hemant and the dhun in rag pahad and was ably accompanied on the tabala by Mr. Advani who also accompanied the vocalist.

Though time did not permit then the vote of thanks through this column to Nipa Banerjee and her colleagues for the good work they have done throughout the year is most appropriate. Well done Nipa!

Coming Events

Canada Hindu Organization of Toronto will celebrate Holi on March 29 at 4 p.m. at Estdale Secondary School, 701 Gerrad St.East.

The program includes prayer, speeches by Hon.Nicholas G.Leluk MPP and Mrs. L.S. Nadhan variety entertainment and dinner. Admission $2.00. For details call 465-2214.

Kerr In India

New Delhi, Mar 13 (UNI): The Australian Governor-General, Sir John Kerr left here after a state visit to India.

Seeing him off, India's President, Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed said the visit had helped reiterate "our conviction that we must together with other littoral states redouble our efforts to establish the Indian Ocean as a zone of peace, free from tension and big power rivalry."

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Suitable match for a well educated Hindu boy, 27, in Canada. Fair complexion, height 5'10". Apply The Canadian India Times, Box 815.

A suitable match wanted for a beautiful Punjabi Khatri girl, 23, working in Canada. Boy's merits main consideration. Caste no bar. Write The Canadian India Times, Box 816.

Match for a man, 27, 5'7", Masters degree holder in engineering, settled in Canada, belonging to a respectable Hindu Punjabi family. Caste no bar. The Canadian India Times, Box 817.

Gujarati match for a Gujarati Bania girl, 25, good-looking, B.A., brother well-settled in Canada, early marriage. Write with particulars and a recent photo to the Canadian India Times, Box 818.

Qualified match for a good-looking, sweet-natured, Hindu girl, 24, B. A., heigh 5', highly educated family, brother and sistors in Canada. Caste no bar. Boy's merits only consideration. Apply with a recent photo and details to The Canadian India Times, Box 819.

Wanted suitable match for handsome Jat Sikh boy, B.Sc., engineer, 25, 6', contact 11 Oakwood Ave., Ottawa. (224-9650).

Match required for tall, attractive university educated Jat Sikh girl. Preferably professional (medicine, law, engineering etc.). Enclose photo and particulars. Box-348, Stn. "D", Toronto, Ontario, M6P 3J9.

Wanted suitable match for a Gujarati (Lohana) girl, 26, B.Sc., well-settled and presently working. Reply P.O.Box-128, Oromocto, N.B., Canada.

Suitable Hindu match for a young, extremely beautiful, well mannered, Brahmin girl, 22, landed immigrant, doing Medical Tech. in Ont. Brothers well settled in Canada. Canadian India Times, Box 808.

Suitable match for well settled Hindu Punjabi boy 29, 5' 9", M. Sc. Please write with complete particulars and returnable photograph. Box 809, The Canadian India Times.

Matrimonial correspondence invited from Indian girls for a well established south Indian engineer in mid thirties. Canadian India Times, Box 801.

Golfers To Meet

Calcutta, March 14 (UNI): A total of 93 overseas golf professionals had entered the Indian Open Golf Championship to be played at Delhi from March 27 to the 30, the Indian Golf Union said.

NEW ARRIVALS

Burlington, Ont.
GOGI SINGH from Hong Kong
Don Mills, Ont.
SINGH CHHATWAL design engineer from Switzerland
VIRENDER PAL UPPAL electrical engineer
Kitchener, Ont.
C.D. OPPAL advocate
London, Ont.
GURPAL SINGH engineer from England
Ottawa
NALIN G. PATEL electrical engineer
Scarborough, Ont.
JOGINDER PAL SINGH
Sudbury, Ont.
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Toronto
MOHAMED KANJI
SATISH KUMAR chartered accountant
Willowdale, Ont.
M. J. FERNANDEZ
Windsor, Ont.
ISHVARBHAI PATEL mechanical engineer
St. John's, Nfld.
MRS. PALLAVI RAVAL artist
YASH PAL SHARAD
LaSalle, P.Q.
A. RAMALLINGAM, engineer
Sherbroke, Que
POONAM SAXENA
Montreal
C. PRAKASH draftsman
D. P. VERMA from Rwanda.

Worcester, Ma.
DR. C. S. RAO

Budget Snippets

(UNI): The next year's budget crosses Rs 100,000 million ($13,333.3 million) mark for the first time.

The total receipts estimated are Rs. 103,040 million ($13738.67 million) and expenditure Rs 107,680 million ($14357.3 million).

Last year's level was Rs 88,650 million ($11,820 million).

The central budget waslessthan Rs 10,000 million ($1333.3 million) in the mid-fifties.

Writers Get Award

New Delhi, March 14 (UNI): Seventeen distinguished writers and poets received the Sahitya Akademi Awards for 1974, for their outstanding works in various Indian languages at a function here.

The awards, which were given away by the Akedemi President, Suniti Kumar Chatterji, comprise a cash prize of Rs 5,000 ($667) and a casket containing a copper plate.

Crude Price Raised

New Delhi, March 14 (UNI): Indigenous production of crude in 1978-79 is estimated at 12 million tonnes, according to present indications, the Petroleum and Chemicals Minister, K. D. Malaviya has told the Rajya Sabha, upper house of the Indian Parliament.

He said the Government of India proposed to invest Rs 12,000 million ($1600 million) during the fifth plan period (1974-79) for oil exploration.

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